

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

In a method and system for communicating shipping orders for postal matter between a shipper and at least one carrier whose service are employed for conveying the postal matter to a recipient, the communication ensues via an intermediary who receives the shipping order of the shipper for at least one piece of mail. A selection of a carrier is made from a number of available carriers according to at least one predetermined selection criterion. This selection can ensue before or after receipt of the shipping order by the intermediary. The intermediary relays the shipping order to the selected carrier.

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